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PARAGUAY BUREAU
ASUNCION, PARAGUAY

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Paraguay Bureau--February 1986

I. GENERAL

FBIS Deputy Director [] visited the Bureau 23-25 February STAT
on an orientation TDY. On the evening of his arrival, the Bureau
Chief hosted an asado (Paraguayan-style barbecue) for him at the home
of Deputy Chief [] The party was attended by all office STAT
staff and many of their children, as well as by Ambassador Taylor and
DCM Dan Clare and their wives. While the children enjoyed themselves
swimming in the pool, the other guests ate more than 50 pounds of
beef and sausages washed down with Paraguayan beer. To add to the
night's merriment, a four-piece Paraguayan ensemble -- a harp, two
guitars, and an accordion -- played Paraguayan, Guarani, and
Brazilian specialties. Furthermore, Bureau driver [] STAT
treated everyone by singing some Paraguayan songs with the group.

During his visit the Deputy Director was received by Ambassador
Taylor and other Embassy principals. He also lunched with the STAT
Ambassador on the 25th.

On the 24th, the Bureau Chief hosted an office coffee at which []
[] was formally introduced to the local staff and at which seven STAT
promotions and one QSI to members of the staff were announced. The
happy occasion was attended by the Ambassador and the DCM.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. On the 7th, Peruvian President Alan Garcia declared a state
of siege in Lima and Callao, Lima's port, because of the upsurge in
terrorist actions. His 54-minute speech, which dealt mostly with the
economic problems facing the government, was relayed to the Bureau by
the Lima contractor. The next day, the Armed Forces took control of
the two cities. In defiance of the president's decision, the Shining
Path terrorist group threatened to kill Garcia should he visit
Ayacucho, their stronghold, and on the 21st carried out a spectacular
series of bombings against several foreign embassies, including that
of the United States, and public and party offices. The first
reports the Bureau monitored on these terrorist attacks were picked
up by the Bureau cruiser, who just happened to be surveying Peruvian
radios at the time. These reports beat the press agencies by about 2
hours.

2. The main story in Brazil this month was the cabinet shuffle by President Jose Sarney, who after watching considerable bickering among his ministers, all of whom he inherited from the deceased Tancredo Neves, brought people more to his liking into the government. This set off a row with the majority party in the Democratic Alliance -- the Brazilian Democratic Mobilization Party -- Neves' party, because it felt its majority position was being ignored. The dispute quieted down somewhat at the end of the month when Sarney announced a major new economic plan that took into account many of the ideas of the PMDB. The Bureau covered Sarney's speech to the nation announcing the new economic plan live from Brasilia Domestic Service.

3. The Contadora Group, the Contadora Support Group, and the Consensus of Cartagena all met in Punta del Este, Uruguay, 26-28 February. The main decision of the two Contadora Groups was to establish a "Civil Commission for Observation, Prevention, and Planning" along the border between Nicaragua and Costa Rica. This body will be formally established in March in San Jose. The Consensus of Cartagena Follow-Up Committee, on the other hand, stressed the necessity of these heavily indebted countries to work together to overcome their debt problems.

4. Closer to home in Paraguay, the opposition Febrerista Party at mid-month staged a rally in the center of Asuncion that was supported by the National Accord and attended by about 10,000 to 15,000 supporters. The speakers at the rally, which is an annual event marking the party's anniversary, again called for President Stroessner's resignation and political and economic reforms. The government made a show of force by cordoning off the area around the square where the rally was held, but there were no reports of violence. In another political development, a group of members of the ruling Colorado Party no longer working inside the government issued a statement calling for party reconciliation in the face of the problems inside the party and confronting the government.

B. Cruising

During the month the Bureau cruiser conducted a reception survey of radios and press agencies covered at Panama Bureau as part of the semiannual Emergency Backstop Coverage Plan. He also conducted surveys of Peruvian, Bolivian, and Uruguayan radios in support of the monitorial operation.

C. Technical

This month the technical staff bench-tested a newly arrived Addmaster Tape Reader Model 612 that will soon be installed in the communications unit. This tape reader has been converted to low-level operation, which is now being used in Bureau communications. Preventive maintenance was also performed on the Bureau's Collins 651 S receivers.

III. ADMINISTRATION

Personnel

1. On the 24th, FBIS Deputy Director [] at a coffee hosted by the Bureau Chief, awarded promotions to: Monitors [] to 8/1; [] 8/1; [] 9/3; and [] 9/2; and Monitor Supervisors [] 11/2; and [] 11/2; and [] 11/3. [] also presented a QSI to [] the Bureau administrative specialist, for her excellent performance over the past 2-3 years in carrying out her duties without the assistance of a part-time clerical employee and for her perseverance in convincing Bureau management that Bureau employees had not been paid local holiday pay properly for the past 3 years.

2. Headquarters confirmed that Deputy Chief [] has been approved a 1-year extension at the Bureau.

IV. VISITS

1. FBIS Deputy Director [] to the Bureau 23-25 February.

2. Deputy Bureau Chief [] and Chief Technician [] TDY'ed at Panama Bureau for an orientation on ROSET operations 10-12 February.

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Chief, FBIS Paraguay Bureau

CC: Panama Bureau
Key West Bureau

Attachments: Monthly Production Report

Paraguay Bureau Production Report for February 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	218004
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	68420
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1426

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (minutes or issues per week)	7436.00 min.	40770.00 min.	178.46 issues

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
(publishable words per month)

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires Argentina Televisora Color Network in Spanish	5990		
Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish	5790		
Buenos Aires DYN in Spanish		5020	
Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish		10230	
Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish		10750	
Buenos Aires AMBITO FINANCIERO in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires BUENOS AIRES HERALD in English			9580
Buenos Aires CLARIN in Spanish			4500
Buenos Aires GENTE in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires LA NACION in Spanish			2830
Buenos Aires LA PRENSA in Spanish			4550
Buenos Aires TIEMPO ARGENTINO in Spanish			950

BOLIVIA

La Paz Cadena Panamericana in Spanish	5070		
La Paz Radio Illimani in Spanish	660		
La Paz El Diario in Spanish			870

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
La Paz PRESENCIA in Spanish			910
BRASIL			
Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	4604		
Brasilia Radio Nacional da Amazonia Network in Portuguese	8920		
Sao Paulo Radio Bandeirantes Network in Portuguese	1780		
Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese			1590
Rio de Janeiro LATIN AMERICA DAILY POST in English			0
Rio de Janeiro MANCHETE in Portuguese			0
Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese			2330
Sao Paulo FOLHA DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			7310
Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			6600
Sao Paulo VEJA in Portuguese			260
CHILE			
Santiago Domestic Service in Spanish	7220		
Santiago Radio Chilena in Spanish	6100		
Santiago ANALISIS in Spanish			4380
Santiago CAUCE in Spanish			0
Santiago CAUCE in Spanish			3020
Santiago COSAS in Spanish			0
Santiago EL MERCURIO in Spanish			3130
Santiago HOY in Spanish			0
Santiago LA TERCERA DE LA HORA in Spanish			1780
Santiago MENSAJE in Spanish			0
Santiago MENSAJE in Spanish			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
CHINA			
Beijing Beijing in Spanish	0		
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in Spanish		23170	
PARAGUAY			
Asuncion Cerro Cora Sistema Nacional de Television in Spanish	420		
Asuncion Domestic Service in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Radio Paraguay in Spanish	110		
Asuncion Radio Primero de Marzo in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Red Privada de Teledifusora Paraguaya Television in Spanish	1010		
Asuncion EL DIARIO in Spanish			2470
Asuncion EL PUEBLO in Spanish			230
Asuncion HOY in Spanish			1780
Asuncion LA TARDE in Spanish			3070
Asuncion PATRIA in Spanish			0
Asuncion SENDERO in Spanish			0
Asuncion ULTIMA HORA in Spanish			3860
PERU			
Lima Cadena America Television in Spanish	340		
Lima Canal 9 Television in Spanish	0		
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	15310		
Lima Latinoamericana Television in Spanish	490		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Lima Panamericana Television			
Network in			
Spanish	2650		
Lima Radio Panamericana Lima in			
Spanish	190		
Lima Radio Tacna in			
Spanish	280		
Lima Radio del Pacifico in			
Spanish	1030		
Lima Radioprogramas del Peru in			
Spanish	1910		
Lima Television Peruana in			
Spanish	4290		
Lima CARETAS in			
Spanish			2190
Lima EL COMERCIO in			
Spanish			1000
Lima EL DIARIO MARKA in			
Spanish			80
Lima EXPRESO			
Spanish			160
Lima LA REPUBLICA in			
Spanish			880
SPAIN			
Madrid EFE in			
Spanish		15320	
URUGUAY			
Montevideo Domestic Service in			
Spanish	0		
Montevideo Radio Carve in			
Spanish	860		
Montevideo Radio El Espectador in			
Spanish	580		
Montevideo LA HORA in			
Spanish			330
Montevideo EL DIA in			
Spanish			190
USSR			
Moscow Radio Magallanes in			
Spanish	0		
Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in			
Spanish to Latin America	580		
Moscow in			
Portuguese to Brazil	0		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Moscow in			
Spanish to Latin America	0		
Moscow in			
Spanish to Chile	6500		
Moscow in			
Spanish to Cuba	0		